

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, after the Title, and before line 3, please add the following new paragraph:

This application is a national stage application of international application PCT/EP99/08036 filed on October 22, 1999 and claims priority from German patent document 198 48 863.7 filed on October 23, 1998 and German patent document 199 15 713.8 filed on April 8, 1999.